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Group Art Unit 1633  
Examiner Li  
For: SYNTHETIC HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS GENES

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

This communication is in response to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 4, 2006, in the above-identified application, having a three-month period for response set to expire Wednesday, July 5, 2006.

Any fees associated with the submission of this amendment can be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

Applicants respectfully request the following amendments be entered and the claims considered in light thereof.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION** appear on page 2 of this paper.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**REMARKS** begin on page 5 of this paper.